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WILLINK, EXECUTRIX, *v.* UNITED STATES.

APPEAL FROM THE COURT OF CLAIMS.

No. 180. Argued January 21, 1916.—Decided April 3, 1916.

The mere location by the Secretary of War of a harbor line does not amount to a taking of property within the line or its appropriation to public use; nor does a taking result from the request of an officer of the United States to a riparian owner to vacate if such request is neither acceded to nor enforced.

The fact that the Government makes a contract to cut away land